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- 1. SUMMARY: EMBASSY NOW ADVISED MEMBERS OF UEKI'S OFFICIAL PARTY. ON MINISTER'S BEHALF, UEKI'S STAFF HAS REITERATED STRONG INTEREST IN MEETING WITH SECREARY. ADVANCE PARTIES APPARENTLY DELAYED. END SUMMARY.
- 2. ON APRIL 27, JOEL MENDES RENNO, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO UEKI, ADVISED COUNSELOR ECON-COMMERCIAL THAT OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENCY HAD APPROVED FOLLOWING OFFICIAL PARTY FOR UEKI VISIT:
- (A) MINISTRO SHIGEAKI UEKI
- (B) ENGENHEIRO JOEL MENDES RENNO, ASSESSOR TECNICO ESPECIAL DO MINISTRO
- (C) ENGENHEIRO NEY WEBSTER ARAUJO, ASSESSOR DO MINISTRY
- (D) ECONOMISTA OSCAR MARCONDES PIMENTEL
- (E) HIDEO ONAGA, ASSESSOR DO MINISTRY

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3. RENNO SAID MINISTER WOULD ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON ON

MAY 16. HE, WEBSTER ARAUJO AND HIDEO ONAGA, WOULD BE ARRIVING ON MAY 13, TO REVIEW AND, AS NECESSARY, HELP FIRM UP ARRANGEMENTS FOR MINISTER'S VISIT.

- 4. RENNO INQUIRED ABOUT THE STATUS OF MINISTER'S APPOINT-MENT WITH THE SECRETARY. HE SAID UEKI WAS STRONGLY INTERESTED IN, AND WOULD LOOK FORWARD TO, MEETING THE SECRETARY AGAIN.
- 5. RENNO SAID THAT THE LIST OF SENIOR EXECUTIVES FROM PUBLICKLY-OWNED CORPORATIONS HAD NOT YET BEEN SETTLED. HE THOUGHT SEVERAL SENIOR EXECUTIVES WOULD BE IN WASHINGTON FOR VARYING PERIODS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE APPROPRIATE MEETINGS. CONGEN RIO REPORTS THAT NOGUEIRA BATISTA EXPECTS TO GO TO WASHINGTON FOR A LIMITED PERIOD AND TO PARTICIPATE IN VISIT TO INSTALLATIONS OF US COMPANIES.
- 6. RELATIONSHIP OF VISIT TO LAST YEAR'S INVITATION. INRESPONSE TO RENNO'S QUESTION, WE REAFFIRMED LAST YEAR'S INVITATION FOR THREE OFFICIALS. WE ADVISED RENNO THAT THIS INVOLVED FIRST CLASS AIR TRAVEL AND APPROXIMATELY \$50 PER DIEM. (RENNO SAID THAT THE THOUGHT THE BRAZILIAN SIDE WOULD BUY ITS OWN TICKETS AND THAT UEKI WILL REVIEW THE WHOLE QUESTION OF CU ASSISTANCE THIS WEEKEND.) THE EMBASSY IS QUERYING CU DIRECTLY ABOUT THE MECHANICS OF PROVIDING ASSISTANCE.
- 7. GARDNER INVITATION. AS REPORTED SEPTEL, UEKI HAS NOT YET DECIDED ON THE GARDNER INVITATION. EMBASSY CONSIDERS ACCEPTANCE UNLIKELY.
- 8. ADVANCE PARTY: RENNO SAID TRICHES HAD NOT YET TRAVELLED TO PITTSBURGH, CONTRARY TO HIS EARLIER UNDERSTANDING, BUT WAS AWAITING WORD FROM US STEEL. ISNARD WAS NOW IN PARIS, AND DATES FOR HIS VISIT TO WASHINGTON WERE NOT YET DEFINITE.
- 9. DURING CONVERSATION WITH MINOFF, NUCLEBRAS DIRECTOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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JOHN FORMAN SAID HE HOPES AGREEMENT WITH USGS WILL BE SIGNED AND START TO BE IMPLEMENTED SOON BECAUSE NUCLEBRAS IS NOW PLANNING ITS MINERALS EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES FOR SECOND HALF OF 1976 AND FOR 1977 AND IS EXTREMELY ANXIOUS TO KNOW WHAT MANPOWER RESOURCES USGS IS PREPARED TO MAKE AVAILABLE. FORMAN SAID HE HAS CONVEYED THIS INFORMATION TO MINISTER UEKI AND REQUESTED THAT HE TAKE IT UP IN WASHINGTON AS A PRIORITY MATTER FOR NUCLEBRAS.

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